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TITLE: Forming an isolated contact to a  
DRAM bit line - has pairs of capacitor pillars  
surrounding bit nodes, with a silicon oxide cap formed on each  
pillar, by a series of mask and etch steps

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

A bit line contact is formed by forming a pair of pillar-type capacitors (24), one on each side of a bit node (28). They have storage node layers, a cell dielectric layer and a common cell conductive layer. An

oxide barrier is added over the common conductor. An oxide barrier layer is formed, and remove from the pillar tops. An oxide cap (48) is then grown on each pillar. A mask is formed on the caps and the intervening barrier oxide is removed. A conformal dielectric (70) of silicon nitride is formed, followed by a filling dielectric (72) containing borophosphosilicate glass over the exposed conductor. The dielectric layers are masked and etched to form a bit node contact region (76).

ADVANTAGE - Simple isolation of the bit contact is provided and the presence of the oxide caps allows a greater contact target area to be opened between the capacitors than if the caps were not present.

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TITLE-TERMS: FORMING ISOLATE CONTACT DRAM BIT LINE PAIR  
CAPACITOR PILLAR

SURROUND BIT NODE SILICON OXIDE CAP FORMING  
PILLAR SERIES MASK ETCH  
STEP

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Brief Summary Text - BSTX (15) :

In one aspect, the invention includes a method of forming a capacitor storage node in a shape of a vertically elongated stem underlying a cap, the cap having a first cross-sectional dimension of equal to or greater than a minimum capable photolithographic feature dimension of a fabrication process, the stem having a second cross-sectional dimension of less than the first cross-sectional dimension.

Detailed Description Text - DETX (18) :

As shown, the combination of first opening 92 and fourth opening 110 preferably forms an opening having a shape of a vertically elongated stem 113 underlying a cap 115. Similarly, the combination of openings 93 and 111, and the combination of openings 94 and 112 comprise shapes of vertically elongated stems 113 underlying caps 115. It is noted that the respective caps and stems will both preferably comprise cross-sectional dimensions of less than the minimum capable photolithographic feature dimension obtainable during fabrication. Preferably, stems 110, 111 and 112 will have

cross-sectional dimensions of about the minimum cross-sectional dimensions of narrowed constrictions 106, 107 and 108 in FIG. 9. However, the cross-sectional dimensions of stems 110, 111 and 112 may be slightly larger than the dimensions of constrictions 106, 107 and 108, as the constriction openings may be widened somewhat by removal of layers 102 and 104 from the sides of the constriction openings as the layers 102 and 104 are etched from the bases of openings 92, 93 and 94.

Detailed Description Text - DETX (22) :

Referring to FIG. 12, an upper surface of wafer fragment 10a is removed. Preferably, such removal planarizes the remaining upper surface of wafer fragment 10a. Such planarization may be accomplished, for example, by chemical-mechanical polishing or other techniques. Preferably, the planarization removes layer 36a (shown in FIG. 11) to expose a surface 126 of insulative layer 34a. Surface 126 may be identical to the original upper surface 35a of insulative layer 34a or may be beneath the original surface 35a of insulative layer 34a. The planarization to below layer 36a electrically isolates conductive pedestals 116, 117 and 118 from one another. As shown, the preferred isolated pedestals 116, 117 and 118 have the shape of a cap 115 over a stem 113, as did the openings discussed above with reference to FIG. 10.